(c) whether there is any State in the region for which no project has been selected by the NEC during these years; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) NEC sanctioned 87 projects during 2003-04 and 171 projects during 2004-05 to the different North Eastern States.

(b) The details are given in the statement (See below).

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

Status of works in the projects

Sl. No.	State	2003-04			2004-05		
		Completed	Not yet started	In progress	Completed	Not yet started	In progress
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	7	NIL	4	9	NIL	6
2.	Assam	8	2	3	26	NIL	12
3.	Manipur	6	NIL	2	8	NIL	7
4.	Meghalaya	8	1	4	21	NIL	8
5.	Mizoram	10	NIL	7	18	NIL	14
6.	Nagaland	6	NIL	3	6	NIL	3
7.	Sikkim	1	NIL	8	6	NIL	9
8.	Tripura	4	NIL	3	5	NIL	13

Committees for cases of sexual harrassment

2744. SHRI K. CHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has directed to constitute committees to look into the cases of sexual harassment in both the Central and State Government departments;

(b) if so, the details of the Committees constituted so far, State-wise;

(c) whether Government have noticed any lapse by any departments in constituting such committees; and

(d) if so, the details thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) The Supreme court, in the judgement delivered in August, 1997 in the case of Vishaka and Others Vs. State of Rajasthan and Others, laid down norms and guidelines to be followed by the employees or other responsible persons in the workplaces or other institutions to prevent or deter the commission of acts of sexual harassment and to provide the procedures for resolution, settlement or prosecution of acts of sexual harassment by taking all steps required, including setting up of complaints committee to redress the complaint made by the victim.

(b) The matter falls in the purview of the State Governments.

(c) and (d) The National Commission for Women (NCW) has informed that according to the information which became available during the interactive meetings held by it since November, 2000 with various organizations including State Government Departments, complaints committees had not been formed in a number of cases. The committee which existed did not have 50% reservation for women.

In July, 2004 and again in May, 2005, the Department of Women and Child Development emphasized to all Central Ministries/Departments and State Governments and Union Territory Administrations the need to ensure the setting up of complaints committee as per the guidelines laid down in the Supreme Court's judgement and their proper functioning.

Pre-Metric Scholarship in Madhya Pradesh

†2745. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to extend economic assistance to Madhya Pradesh for awarding pre-metric scholarship;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.